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## **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Marlene Dortch, Secretary Office of Managing Director Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

> Oral Ex Parte Presentation Re: CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Madam Secretary:

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR Section 1.1206, we herehy provide you with notice of an oral ex parte presentation in connection with the abovecaptioned proceeding. On Friday, February 7, 2003, David LaFuria met with Jordan Goldstein in Commissioner Michael Copps' office on behalf of Virginia Cellular, L.L.C. ("Virginia Cellular"). The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the merits of Virginia Cellular's Petition for Eligible Telecommunications Carrier status in the State of Virginia.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, two copies of this letter are enclosed for inclusion in the Commission's docket file.

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If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact undersigned counsel directly.

Sincerely,

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